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FDIC San Francisco Regional Office John F. Carter, Director 25 Jessie St.- Ecker Square, Suite 2300 San Francisco, CA 94105

Dear Mr. Carter:

We would like to express our appreciation for the opportunity to communicate our views regarding the impact on rural communities, such as ours, if Wal-Mart became a banking entity.

We have already, in our community and surrounding areas, had numerous small businesses close their doors because they are unable to compete with Wal-Mart's low prices. Our county's population has declined as a direct result of economic pressures.

Wal-Mart, as a conglomeration, should not be allowed to further expand in areas such as banking, where there lies an enormous potential of abuse of power and devastation to entire communities.

Our local banks understand and strive to meet the needs of the communities, which is essential to maintain and promote growth.

Thank you, again, for this opportunity.

Sincerely,

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